

Draft Resolution 10-004
Work Task E17
April 28, 2010

Whereas, the LCR MSCP has, through Avoidance and Minimization Measure 2 (AMM2) a conservation responsibility for Topock Marsh to ensure that future water deliveries to the marsh are not compromised by the covered actions;

Whereas, in AMM2, options suggested to fulfill the construction component include improvements to intake structures and purchase and installation of electric pumps to physically move water from the river into the marsh;

Whereas, in AMM2, options suggested to achieve the maintenance component include operation and payment of electrical costs for installed pumps for the life of the program;

Whereas the FWS proposes to create a new water delivery system which includes a gravity diversion intake structure associated with a new concrete lined delivery canal, and installation of electrical pumps to improve the water delivery system to Topock Marsh;

Whereas, the FWS and the LCR MSCP have reached agreement that the LCR MSCP would provide \$1,000,000 in FY10 to allow FWS to construct portions of the proposed water delivery system, as LCR MSCP's construction contribution under AMM2;

Whereas, the Steering Committee approved Resolution 10-003 on October 28, 2009 to provide funding to meet the construction requirements of AMM2;

Whereas, the FWS and the LCR MSCP have reached agreement that the LCR MSCP would provide \$2,500,000 in FY12, or as funds are available, to allow FWS to complete the water delivery system, as LCR MSCP's maintenance contribution under AMM2;

Whereas, this additional project contribution will fully satisfy AMM2 and relieve the LCR MSCP of any future obligations; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Steering Committee concurs with the proposed LCR MSCP additional project contribution to meet the operation and maintenance requirements of AMM2.